



Friday 23rd July 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a lovely week at Little Learners.

Nursery Photos Tuesday 27th

On Tuesday 27th we will be having nursery photos taken of the children by a professional photographer. These photos will commence in the school hall to prevent the mixing of nursery rooms. The phot sessions start at 9:00am so please ensure your child arrives promptly at this time if you wish them to take part. If your child does not attend nursery on Tuesdays but you would still like them to have a photograph taken, please let us know and we will inform you of the time you will need to attend.

For younger children if they are coming to nursery in their nice clothes, please let a member of staff know during drop off and bring in a change of clothes for children to wear after the photos.

Zoo Experience Session Wednesday 28th

On Wednesday 28th we are very excited to announce we will be having a Zoo Experience day. The children will get to see and touch some exotic animals and learn a bit about each animal.

See letter attached to email body for more information.

Bikes and scooters

As the school has broken up for the summer holidays our children now have access to the large school playground. We would like to ask parents to bring in children's bikes and scoots for them to use during the summer. Please make sure all bikes and scooters are labelled with child's name.

National Assistance Dog Awareness Day

To celebrate national Assistance dog awareness day on Wednesday the 4th of August Forest school will be visited by Hearing dog Walter with his partner (and owner), to share with the children what he does and how he does it. He will come to school in his uniform to share time, knowledge and skills about what assistance dogs do for people and the different types of working dogs there are.





Holidays & Quarantine

If you are going on holiday or will be away, please be sure to let a member of staff in your child's room know or email Dawn. This is so we can ensure that we log it onto our system and do not disturb your holiday by phoning to query your absence.

Please note the Government is updating this list regularly, please do check and inform the nursery if this affects you.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors>

Summer Holidays

A reminder if you are going on holiday and your child will be away from nursery in the coming weeks over the summer to please let me know as soon as possible via email.

Christmas Holiday Dates

For parents requesting the Christmas closure date this year, for Christmas 2021 the nursery will close on Monday 20th December at 6pm and reopen on Tuesday 4th January 2022 at 8am as usual.

What to do if you have symptoms...

We must remind everyone that if you or any member of your household shows any Covid-19 symptoms you must **not** bring your child to nursery until the person or household have gone for a Covid test and received a negative result.

If you have children in multiple rooms/school, they must also be kept at home until a negative test is received for the person/people who has symptoms.

If the Covid test result is positive you must all isolate for ten days and not leave your house. In the event of a positive case you must also notify the nursery senior team who will make a note of your positive result and take appropriate action if necessary.

We thank you all for your cooperation in these difficult times.

Drop off and collection

When dropping off or collecting children from the nursery gate you **MUST** wear a mask unless medically exempt. This is to ensure the safety of other parents, families and our staff team.



What we have been up to this week...

This week at nursery, all of our bubbles have been very busy playing and learning. Here are some of our favourite activities.

Bunnies

This week in the Bunny room we have enjoyed exploring our sensory mirrored toys. The children used the mirror blocks to stack and build towers whilst seeing their reflections. During our circle times the babies and staff sang together using musical instruments to shake and make sounds to the beat of the music. We listened to the different sounds and actions of the songs.

On Thursday we enjoyed our soft play session with all the large soft play pieces to jump, run and climb on. The children were very excited to explore the soft play and burn off some of their energy.

Toddlers

Our Tigers have had lots of fun talking about summer and exploring summer themed art work. The children made foot print sandal pictures using paint and drew on the straps. At our arts and craft areas we made cut and stick cold drink pictures. The children decorated the glasses of cool refreshing drinks and added straws to make their art work 3D.

Outside the toddlers have enjoyed playing in the water tray and sand pit. We have loved the sensory feeling of the sand under our feet. We also loved tipping and pouring using jugs in the water.

During our circle time the children have been singing the song 'Going on a Summer Holiday' and talking about what we like to do in the summer.

Toddler+

This week in toddler+ we have had lots of fun reading 'Rumble in the Jungle' and writing names of animals from the story. The children enjoyed the sensory playdough to make some of their favourite jungle animals with.

We have also been talking about directions and using directions to know which way to go. Using the interactive white board we have played a game where we direct the mouse through a maze using the arrows to go up, down, left and right. Outside we enjoyed finding our way through our own chalk maze.

Pre-School 4

This week we have enjoyed our end of term party and said goodbye to some of our children who have left now. We had lots of fun at our graduation party and sang our graduation song for our parents to view on tapestry.

In the class room the children have been reading 'Rumble in the Jungle' and making animal masks using paint and craft material to decorate them. We also got very messy finger paint giraffe pictures and talking about their spots and long necks.

Little Learners in Nature

In the nature school we have enjoyed drawing pictures of our new schools and talking about going to our big schools in September. We have enjoyed our end of term party and said goodbye to some of our children who have left now. We had lots of fun at our graduation party and sang our graduation song for our parents to view on tapestry.

For Eid the children draw henna patterns in the sand and spoke about the meaning of Eid. In our vegetable garden the children have been helping to planting a variety of vegetables and cannot wait for them to grow big enough to eat!